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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2877

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hideo KATO et al.)
Application No.: 09/159,775)
Filed: September 24, 1998)
For: ILLUMINATOR, EXPOSURE APPARATUS,)
AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING)
DEVICE USING THE SAME)

: Examiner: K. Brown
: Group Art Unit: 2877
: Confirmation No.: 5553
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the final Official Action dated April 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116: